PPS LAUNCHES CONSULTATION ON ROAD TRAFFIC POLICY

The Public Prosecution Service (PPS) recognises that road traffic offences can involve some of the more serious offences that can be committed, and these account for a substantial number of the files upon which the PPS make prosecution decisions, making this an important issue.

As part of its ongoing commitment to developing its services to victims and witnesses, the PPS has today launched a public consultation on its Road Traffic Policy to be used in prosecuting cases arising from road traffic offences.

The Policy explains the definition of certain road traffic offences and the law relating to each offence. It provides guidance about how decisions as to prosecution are taken and also outlines the services available to victims and witnesses.

The consultation will run from 5 February to 30 April 2010.

The PPS looks forward to receiving views from the community throughout Northern Ireland which it will consider in formulating this policy.

Notes to Editors

The consultation document on PPS Road Traffic Policy may be viewed or downloaded at www.ppsni.gov.uk.

Any member of the public may comment on the policy by contacting the PPS by e-mail or in writing.

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